SUMMARY #4

STAKEHOLDER COMMENTS DURING SEPTEMBER 19, 2011
STAKEHOLDER MEETING REGARDING THE TRANSFER OF THE DRUG MEDI-CAL
TREATMENT PROGRAM TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES.

Comments in response to presentation of the transition plan:

- Request for more detail on the mechanisms that the State would use to continue to work with stakeholders beginning November 15th.
- Will the bimonthly meetings held by the Department of Health Care Services from November 15, 2011 through May 15, 2012 be formal meetings or use other means?
- The transition plan appears to capture stakeholder input reasonably well and makes good business sense.
- The Drug Medi-Cal Office/Division should be totally separate from the new Medi-Cal Mental Health Division so as not to be engulfed by the far greater volume of mental health issues and payments.

Comment unrelated to the transition plan:

 Under realignment, counties should have more authority to approve the programs and services, since counties will have more financial risk.